DEMOCRATS TRYING TO PREVENT THE REPUBLICAN STEAL.

It Looks Now Like General Stevenson Will Have the Deciding Vote-The Treasury Investigation,

Times Bureau, Rapley Building, Washington, Dec. 16, 1893.

This has been decidedly a legislative off-day," for neither the House nor the Senate were in session, and almost a quorum of each body is now cheering and laughing at the excellent performance at Albaugh's theatre for the benefit of the National Capital Press Club. No set of men on earth know more fully the value of newspaper correspondents than the members of Congress, and when to relieve the treasury of the club, which embraces nearly all of the representatives of the press in this city, this entertainment was suggested both senators and repre-sentatives contributed liberally to what No performance ever given in this city has been attended by such a notable gathering as that of to-day, and Cabinet officers, members of the diplomatic corps and high officials were thickly scattered about the boxes and stalls. The performance will yield the club about \$6,000.

The question which is most being dis-

The question which is most being dis-cussed here at present is that of the con-trol of the next Senate, and while the figures are being put down by skilful politicians there can be no absolute cerpoliticians there can be no absolute cer-tainty about the final outcome. Both par-ties are actively at work looking after their respective party interests in the five doubtful States of California, Kansas, Nebraska, Montana and Wyoming, and now and then in one of the Westorn States meetings are being held urging the Populist senators to be alert and obtain all the possible benefits arising from their illeged position of holding the balance of

no of the latest estimates of the com Democrats who hold over and those have been re-elected number birty- and the Republicans twenty-nine. Democrats who will certainly be sed number ten, this includes a success to Mr. Hiscock (Rep.), of New ork, and of Mr. Sawyer (Rep.), of Wis-main. Republicans who will certainly elected number eleven, giving the corats forty-one and the Republicans v. leaving out Senators Peffer and It is generally believed that Mr. r will act with the Republicans, and Kyle with the Democris. Thus in doubtful States, to obtain a majority, ocrats must get three senators Republicans must have four. If ublicans get three and the Demo-o, the Senate would be a tie, and

an Grady, of California, as said that there was no doubt that hen M. White, a Democrat, would the next Senator from that State, a straight Democrats," he said, "have me votes on joint ballot, two less a majority, but there are three sts in the State who were elected

the Democrats nominate him? he

es, Mr. White writes me that he has already the promise of a majority of them that he will surely be named. Some of my friends have suggested voting for me, but I have earnestly requested them to ominate Mr. White, by all means."
On the adjournment, on March 4th, of
the present Senate, it will leave a Senate
composed of twenty-eight Democrats,
twenty-nine Republicans and two Populats, with Vice-President Stevenson in

the chair. Should both the Populists vots with the Democrats they would control the coming in of the new senators. It senator Kyle, of South Dakota, votes with the Democrats and Senator Peffection of the Populists and Senator Peffection of the Republicans, they would control as Mr. Stevenson's vote could only be counted in a tie. Should the Alliance onstors vote with the Democratic, on a sail of the States, the Democratic Senator from California would be called first this admirtance would give the Demofor from California would be called first, and his admittance would give the Demorats power to control all propositions to refer the cases that came up afterwards. The precedents favor the supposition that all senators elect with credentials in due form would at once be sworn in, but the form of the credentials under these circumstances may be a proper matter for musideration. There is no telling what he 4th of March, that will justify the comporate in being exceedingly carefu nd cautious in these early proceedings

The Ways and Means Committee of the House have resolved to have a sub-rom-mittee of five, with Mr. Springer as chair-man, to investigate through the Score man, to investigate through the scale to tary of the Treasury the exact condition of the finances of the country. This is in pursuance of the resolution of Hon. William L. Wilson, who stated that he thought it wise before a new administrathought It wise before a sort of a general tion came in, to take a sort of a general inventory. He desired to find out if any change had been made in the form of the debt statement, and if so, the reasons for it, and if there has been any change in the classification of funds designated for special purposes, and in fact to learn exactly what methods have been in vogue for the past four years. The financial status of the country, too, is necessary to be known before any tariff measure

to be known before any tariff measure could be enacted, which might reduce the duties materially, and perhaps increase the revenues at the same time. Congressman Anthony, of Texas, who is the successor to Hon. Roger Q. Mills, has introduced a bill repealing the dependent pension bill of 1896, which granted pensions to soldiers and sailors, to widows, to minor children and to the Gependent parents of soldiers and sailors. It is true that \$8 per month is not a large to but as a Baltimore firm advertised.

operintendent Porter will be given a ture.

investigating committee, composed of Supervising Inspectors Charles Par-rie-batch of Cincinnati, Alexander Mc-Master of Buffalo, and C. H. Wescott of Detroit, which has been investigating the charges preferred by Supervising Inspec-tor J. W. Oast, of Norfolk, against Local Inspector of Steamboats W. O. Saville, of Baltimore, completed their labors to-day, and will make a report of their Endings to the Secretary of the Navy, Mr. file ciaimed to have inspected the 1833, and issued a certificate for one or on that date, but on Oct. 27th the olders exploded and three persons were killed. The explosion occurred on the Potomac, about sixty miles below this city. It is thought that the report of the committee will result in the release of Mr. Saville from the position.

Dr. A. Brockenteraugh, of Virginia, is at the Metropolitics.

CONTROL OF THE SENATE | Measure E. A. Alderman and Harry C. A SHORT COTTON CROP.

Mrs. William Radford Beale, J. R. Macmurdo, W. J. Harrison and B. F. Shoets, of Virginia, are all in the city to-day.

to-day.

General James C. Hill, Raliroad Commissioner, was at the Capitol to-day.

Lyon G. Tyler, president of William and Mary College, was here to-day in the interest of the bill to refund to the college \$63,000 for buildings burned by Federal soldiers. He reports no opposition to the bill, and is confident of its passage.

The following postmaster was appointed in Virginia to-day: R. Munay at Yarda, Tazewell county, vice H. T. Shuillebarger. The following pensions were granted

virginia-Original, Fulton Harris, Ed-win Duan, George C. Burch, Samuel Brown, Peter Bates, Benjamin Gordon, Additional, George Newmeyer, Reissue and increase, Patrick Hart (de-

ceased).
North Carolina-Original, Edwin B.
Roberts, John M. Bateman. Original widows, Nancy A. Sykes, Lu-ella Davis. H. L. W.

BLAINE NOT A CATHOLIC.

An Emphatic Denial from the Ex-Secretary's Wife. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.-The

following card was issued from Mr. Blaine's residence at 10 o'clock to-night; "No. 17 Madison Place, Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.-Mrs. Blaine, in reply to the many letters of anxious inquiry sent her on the subject, asks me to state that there is not the slightest truth in the report that Mr. Blaine has entered the Roman Catholic Church, and that nothing could be farther from his thought or

"It should be needless to state that Father Ducey has never been at the

(Signed) "JAMES G. BLAINE, JR."

The Nicaragua Canal Bill. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.-The Senate Foreign Relations Committo-day continued the discussion of ts attention the greater part of the week. The full committee was present, and the main features of the bill, namely, the Government guarantee of the loan, was sgain discussed at length by the members, but without arriving at any conclubers, but without arriving at any concu-sion the committee adjourned. The bill will probably come up from day to day, and by the middle of next week it is ex-pected it will be in shape to be reported to the Senate. There is little doubt but that it will receive favorable consideration in committee, and Senator Morgan is on record as saying that he intends to push the measure to a vote at an early day

passage,
A committee composed of Walter Gres-ham of Texas, Charles M. Shelley of Ala-bama, Mr. Maybury of Michigau, Edward F. Crugin of Illinois, F. J. Odendahl of Louisiana and Richard L. Edwards of New York arrived in the city yesterday promote the Nicaragua canal project in

in the Senate. He is confident of its final

Lawlessness on the Texas Border.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 .- General Scho wasti NGTON, Dec. 16.—General Scho-field receives dispatches this morning con-firming the press reports of lawlessness prevailing along the Texas border in the vicinity of Sau Ygnacio, Mex. One of the reports received by him said that a party of bandits from Texas crossed the line to San Ygnacio on the 19th instant, set here to the barracks and burned to death captain, an ensign and four Mexican goldiers. General Schoneid said that United States troops are hastening to the scene, and will take whatever action is found necessary. No orders will be igued from Washington, as the officer in command has already received general instructions concerning such affairs

Decided in Favor of the Republican.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.-By a unani-nous vote of all the members present the House Committee on Elections to-day decided to report in favor of Edward Thomas Greevy, the Democratic contes

The committee set the case of Miller against Elliott, from South Carolina, for hearing on the 19th of January. Miller is a negro Republican from the famous district of South Carolina This is the last case before the com-

Stringfellow Indicted.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., Dec. 16.—A Gaineaville special to the Times-Union says that the grand jury of Alchua county has brought in an indictment for murder against Thornton B. Stringfellow, of that city, for the killing of Charles H. Pratt, formerly editor of the Gainesville Lender, on the night of November 25th, Stringfollow caught Pratt and Mrs. Stringfollow caught Pratt and Mrs. Stringfellow together in the latter's bed-room, and shot the editor dead. The indictment is a surprise to everybody, as public reatimen apparently justified the killing. Prait's brothers have secured able coun

el, and will push the case against Stringfellow vigorously. A day for the trial has

Two Richmond Negroes Killed.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Dec. 16.—Fanny Anderson (colored), employed as a do started for home at 11 o'clock. Her I band walked with her along the rails track, she intending to take a Jerse Central train at Communipaw. Meeting freight train they stepped to the opportunity tives here.

The Kansas Senatorship.

TOPEKA, KAN., Dec. 16. The con-ference of the Democratic State central tum, but as a Baltimore firm advertised when the bill was passed: "Everybody an now get a pension," so thought all the balance of the alleged heirs, relatives, triends and acquaintances of supposed soldiers and sailors until millions are required to pay the pensions.

The committee appointed to investigate the charges against the management of the census office will continue its operations immediately after the holidays, and Superintendent Porter will be given a formal terms of the Democratic State central committee occupied all of yesterday aftermoon and a good part of last night. No definite action was taken upon the senatorial question, further than to decide to attempt to hold the Democratic State central committee occupied all of yesterday aftermoon and a good part of last night. No definite action was taken upon the senatorial question, further than to decide to attempt to hold the Democratic State central committee occupied all of yesterday aftermoon and a good part of last night. No definite action was taken upon the senatorial question, further than to decide to attempt to hold the Democratic State central committee occupied all of yesterday aftermoon and a good part of last night. No definite action was taken upon the senatorial question, further than to decide to attempt to hold the Democratic State central committee occupied all of yesterday aftermoon and a good part of last night. No definite action was taken upon the senatorial question, further than to decide to attempt to hold the Democratic in and thus secure the balance of power between the Republicans and Populists, thus controlling the situation as did the Third party men in Illinois two years ago. A resolution was adopted indicated the committee occupied all of yesterday aftermoon and a good part of last night. No definite action was taken upon the senatorial question, further than to decide to attempt to hold the Democratic and the action was taken upon the senatorial question.

Murdered Mother and Wife.

VIENNA, Dec. 16.—The peasant Tanser and his son were sentenced to-day to death by the presiding judge of the crimi and court in Wiener Neustadt. During the trial, which began on Wednesday morn-ing, it was shown that the father with the essistance of his son, murdered the assistance of his son, murdered the mother of the family because they conmother of the family because they con-siderered her a useless charge on the pro-perty, also that Theresa, the daughter, was a party to the plot. She was sen-tenced to six years' imprisonment.

A Revolt Quickly Suppressed. RIO JANEIRO, Dec. 16.—A mili-tary revoit broke out at Nichtheroy to-day, the object being to raise to the presidency Governor Protelle, the leader of the Autonomist party. Federal troops were at once despatched to the scene and at the Metropolitan.

Mesars. Martin Williams. of Bland persons were killed and many arrests persons were killed and many arrests. bath, are in the city. * McAllister, of that B. H. Bunn, of Rocky Mount, and and that they will be arrested. * Children, No. 10 June 10, No. 10 June 11, No. 10 June 11, No. 10 June 12, No. 10, No. 1

A UNANIMITY OF OPINION ON THIS POINT UNSURPASSED.

A Very Interesting Report of the Crop Throughout the Southern Atlantic States and West.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 .- Bradstreet's report on the cotton crop of 1892-93 says: The cotton crop of 1892 will be short. On this point there is a unanimity of opinion quite unsurpassed. Our advices as to decreased cotton acreage, published last spring, are fully corroborated. The report of Bradstreet's contains the substance of results from 1,985 correspondents in 671 cotton-growing counties, an average of nearly three replies to each county, in all covering about 95 per cent. of the cotton-growing area in the United Though the weather during the picking

of this year on the whole was not as good as last year, it still was so favorable for gathering the crop throughout a large area as to be worthy of notice The fine showing made by the Carolinas, Georgia and Florida is worthy of note. In Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas the showing in this respect is good to fair. Tennessee enjoyed fair weather. In Arkansas, however, complaints of a cold, wet fall are almost universal and this, no doubt, has had an important in-fluence on the yield. Starting with the Southern Atlantic States and following the coast west we find the most favo able answers to the questions as to the top crop closely agreeing with the reports regarding picking weather. The same is naturally true as to the quality of the crop. The best reports to those questions come from the Carolinas, Georquestions come from the Carolinas, Georgia and Florfia, where the crop has been gathered in excellent condition, with the staple white and clean, though a little short in places and the lint dry and light, thus affecting the weights of bales, with little complaint of frost damage, though the lateness of the season naturally affected inflavorably the late growth.

unfavorably the late growth.
From Alabama, Mississippi and the
Southwest there is more talk of damage
from frost with naturally fewer advices as to a good top crop and quality in Alabama and Mississippi. The showing made by Arkaneas, due to the late wet fall and frosts, is a poor one.

The question on crop movement brings out the statement that the crop is moving faster than usual. Late advance in prices is said to be responsible for this. In this connection the smallness of stocks of cotton in bales held at smaller territory register. nterior points is instanced. There iso said to be a notable absence of pile of unginned cotton, in pressing years requently mentioned. The replies to the uestion as to the percentage of the rop still unpicked shows that there was n December 6th from 2 per cent, remaining in the South Atlantic States to the rest of the rest of the Madissimol Val-7 and 8 per cent, in the Mississippi Val-ley and Arkansas. Although a great deal of cotton had been parted with by planf-ers before the late heavy advance in price, the financial returns on the present

top—the cheapest ever made South— have been encouraging. It is a noteworthy fact that out of 1,767 epiles fewer than 2 per cent, indicate an acreased yield as centrasted with 1891, he bulk of those being in Texas. Only per cent, indicate a crop equal to that 3 per cent. Indicate a crop season of last year, while no fewer than 34 per cent. of the replies indicate decreases in yield. Here, again, replies to the quertion as to the prevalance of good weather or not during harvest shows some induces the process of the prevalence of good weather or not during harvest shows some induces the process of the prevalence of the prevale ce, though early influences operated to ader the decrease widespread.

The decrease in acreage planted with otton this year is decidedly the most owerful influence towards reducing the teld. This was aided by the lateness of e planting season, by excessive rains aune and July in most of the Sfates, overflows in the Mississippi Valley, damage by worms in the lower Mis-sippi Valley, and by had harvesting eather in Arkansas and Tennessee had weather, while the enlarged area put into other crops amply explains the lat-ter's decrease. Mississippi, Louislana and Tennessee report beavy decreases in and Tennessee report heavy decreases in yield, also due to causes already mentioned. Alabama's decrease is also large. In the Atlantic States this tendency is rather less pronounced. The smallest decrease is naturally looked for in Texas, but even there the falling off, judged by the correspondents' replies, is pronounced. A summary of the returns received indicates that the probable total yield will not exceed 6.40 cm, balos. cates that the probable total yield will not exceed 6,400,000 bales.

A NEW BRANCH ROAD

Reported to be Built From Springhope to Durham-Raffling Prohibited,

DURHAM, N. C. Dec. 16-Special. There is a report on the streets here, based upon some foundation, that the branch of the Atlantic Coast Line road from Rocky Mount to Springhope will soon be extended to this place, giving almost an air-line connection with the Rocky Mount tobacco market. Notice has also been given that a charter will be applied for for a direct road from here to Charlotte. N. C.

The tobacco receipts for the week have been so heavy that double sales were an necessity. Shipments were sold here yesterday from Kluston and Lagrance.

yesterday from Kinston and Lagrange Leneir county. Some 150 wagons un Lendir county, frome 1.3 wagons un-loaded to-day, and the warehouses are full. Yesterday the committee appointed for the purpose of looking into the dis-rimination against this point in freights erimination against this point in freights, on leaf tobacco coming over the Atlantic and Danville road were notified by the authorities of the Norfolk and Western, which road delivers it here, that the rates to Durham had been made the same as they were to Richmond and Danville from all depots on the Atlantic and Danville between Lagrages in Virginia and Danville between Lacrosse in Virginia and Dennis-ton Junction in North Carolina. This will be of great advantage to Durham, as it will put her on an equal footing

with the markets named. The police yesterday, under orders from the mayor, gave notice that the law would be enforced against raffling of any and every discription. Chances had been gotten up for many Christmas turkeys, toilet sets and other things which are now withdrawn,

THE NEW PRESS COMBINE.

All of the Southern Papers Will Receive the Southern Associated Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 16,-The directors of the Southern Associated Press have been

n session here for three days. All arrangements for the Southern Asso-ciated Press service have been com-pleted. A contract has been made with the Western Union Telegraph Company. Several additional Southern newspapers were given the privilege of entering the Southern report, and now there is virtual-ly no newspaper in the South receiving elegraph news that does not receive it from the Southern Associated Press, which is now the successor in the States of Virginia, North and South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and East Tennessee of the United, New York and Western Associa-

Mr. O. C. Hatton, who has for many years so satisfactorily made up the report as they are concerned.

for the Southern newspapers, while being served by the New York Associated Press, has been elected, and has accepted the Washington agency of the Southern As-

The news reports are to be much improved, and every facility to make it the best report ever sent South has been ac-

RICHMOND, VA., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1892.

Grover Cleveland will receive the South-ern Associated Press representatives tomorrow at non.

The directors attending the meeting are:
Evan P. Howell, T. T. Stockton, J. H.
Estill, Adolph Ochs and J. C. Hemphill,
and Treasurer P. Walsh. Representatives
are also here from New Orleans, Richmond. Norfolk and Savannah.

HORRIBLE EXECUTION. Murderer Eugene Crampon Guillotined in

Paris_Other Hangings. PARIS, Dec. 16.-Eugene Crampon, the murderer of two men, was guillotined this morning, and the canallle that gathered to see the execution greatly enjoyed the spectacle afforded by the miserable, cowardly wretch as he was literally car-

ried to the guillotine. ried to the guillotine.

The usual rough, tough element assembled before day to see Murderer Crampon guillotined. The red guillotine was only a few steps from the prison. After walking a few feet Crampon saw it, and, with a terrible shriek, fell to the ground the with a terrible shriek, fell to the ground and grovelled on the flag stones, begsing pitcously for life. The crowd of roughs and abandaned women took the keenest delight in witnessing the fear, listening to frantic appeals, and seeing him carried a limp remblance of humanity to the death knife. Then came "Monsleur de Paris," attired as usual in a conventional freek coat and slik hat. The execution was the most herrible witnessed in Paris in many years. Crampon in in Paris in many years. Crampon in March last shot two men who were pur-

March last shot two men who were pursuing him for robbery.
CORNWALL, ONT., Dec. 15.—James Slavin alias McMahon was executed here this morning for the murder of Constable J. R. Davey. He met death coolly.
CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 16.—Joseph Jenkins (colored) was hanged at Mount Pleasant, Ferkeley county, to-day, in the presence of one hundred speciators. His neck was broken, and he died in five minutes. The crime for which he suffered was the murder of John Morgan, a John's Island store-keeper, killing him with an axe, and then robbing him.
MISSOLULA, MONT., Dec. 16.—John Burns, the murderer of Maurice Higgins, paid the penalty of his crime at 10 o'clock this morning. He had nothing to say except to ejaculate "let'er go" as he smiled at the crowd. The entire proceedings occupied five minutes. Burns was assisted slightly up to the scaffold. Otherwise he displayed unusual stoicism.

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THE IMMIGRATION PROBLEM. Owners of Trans. Atlantic Steamers Oppose

the Suspension Proposition. WASHINGTON, Dag. 16.-The agents of the principal trans-Atlantic steamship lines appeared before the joint Congres-

sional Committee on Immigration to-day in opposition to the plan of Senator Chan-dier to suspend immigration. Gustav H. Schwab, representing the various steamship companies, made a general statement. In which he suggested that the examination of emigrants should · left to the European agents of the earnship companies, these agents being

Faced under heavy beads.
Scaator Hill asked him how the United States could enforce these penaltics on this side of the Atlantic when they were operative on the other side. The United States have no jurisdiction over the Eu-

To this Mr. Schwab responded that the companies would acknowledge every re sponsibility. They would, he said, in re

The Running Races.

GUTTENBURG, Dec. 16.-To-day's races

First race, three-quarters of a mile-Menthol first, Jerquet second, Adalgisa third. Time, 1.20. Second race, six and a half furlongs-Early Election first, Greenwich second, Gray Rock third. Time, 125. Third race, five and a half furiongs— Miss Bers first, False Ahrens second, Spot third. Time, 133.

ditzen second, King Crab third. Time. Fifth race, four and a half furlongs

Fifth race, four and a hair furious-Berwyn first, Gold Discer second, Gladi-ater third, Time, 56 1-2. Sixth race, seven furiouss—Azrael first, Pan Handle second, Running Bird third.

GLOUCESTER, N. J., Dec. 16.-To-day's races resulted: First race, five furlongs-Spartacus first, Onager second, Gratton third. Time,

nd race, six furlongs-Moderate Third race, seven furlongs-Samaritan

McKeever second, Apollo third. orth race, five furlongs-Can't Tell Patrick second, Great Guns third. Time, 1:23 3-4. Fifth race, five furlengs-Repeater first,

Herald second, Ralph third. Sixth race, four and a half furlongs-Green Bay first, Shakapeare second, Sham-rock third. Time, 1:00 1-4.

Showniter Wins.

LOGANSPORT, IND., Dec. 16.-The wheel of fortune has gone around and wheel of fortune has gote atoma and Showalter is on top. He beat Lasker in brilliant fashion after thirty-six moves. The game, a Rey Lopez, lasted four hous. Gwing to Lasker's III-health the third game will not be played, but the purpe and Showalter in a Western city in Janu-

Rase-Ball Cranks in Cuba.

MOBILE, ALA. Dec. 16.—The All-American base-ball team, now in Cuba under the management of John F. Kelly, of Mobile, has played five games with the Cubans and won four, having been de-feated in the first game only. A letter to-day announced that the last victory of the Americans was wen by a score of 13 to 1. The games were played before large crowds, the attendance at the last game being five thousand.

being five thousand.

The team will stay in Havana until January next. Another team, under the management of George Burbridge, of Macon. Ga., is organizing, and will visit Cuba and play with the present American

Strangled Herself in Jail.

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 16.—Jennie V. Kane (colored) committed suicide in her ell in the county jail this morning. Her dead body was found by one of the hall women. She had torn a strip from her dress, tied it about her neck and twisted it until she succeeded in strangling herelf. The woman had served tiree months of a four months' sentence for obtaining money under false pretences.

The Striking Telegraphers.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.-The strike of the

Rock Island telegraphers is at a stand still. The organization of the operators, it is claimed, is being rendered more complete day by day. The railroad officials claim to be running trains without diffi-

BISHOP SPALDING TO ACT WITH ARCHBISHOP KENRICK.

In an Interview He Denounces the Idea of a Papal Delegate in America—The School Question.

ST. LOUIS, MO., Dec. 16.-Bishop Spald-

ing, of Peoria, will be condjutor to Archbishop Kedrick, of this diocese. His selection to-day by the suffragan bishops gives general satisfaction. The Bishop of Peoria is fifty-two years old, and is nephew of the great archbishop of Baltimore, now deceased. He was prominent in the late council of Baltimore, and ranks high with his fellow workers. In an interview to-day he denounced the idea of a Papal delegate in this country, saying it was un-American, and whether approved by Rome or not, he believed in home rule. He is opposed to the Faribauit system, saying it is impracticable. He believes in perochial schools, and says the church can build and maintain its own schools so long as the State will not yield. These will be no the State will not yield. There will be no

He approves a solution of the question submitted to him by a layman, whose name he will not give, which has for its prime factor a divided school fund. He says it would be better if the New York conference had never been held, that the Wigger-Corrigan controversy is nonsensiand scandalous.

Returning to the school question, Bishop Spalding said: "I do wish we had a mor-Spaiding said: I do wish to act of dues-tion. If justice ever takes the place of frenzy, you will find a Baptist and Cath-olic or a Methodist and a Catholic all one on the school question in the country, towns and in the cities."

WORLD'S FAIR CONGRESS. Federation of Labor Decidedly Opposed to

Assisting the Project. PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 16,-At this norning's session of the Federation of

Labor the application for the Federation to take action toward assisting in World's Fair congress was overwhelmingly defeated. A resolution was proposed that stirred up a lively debate. It related to the ac-tion of the president and executive coun-

tion of the president and carried reliference with the Knish of Labor Unions. The many attacks the Knights of Labor against traductions, especially on the coal miners are shoemakers, were deplored. It was sathat all efforts to heal the breach will be the coal miners are the coal miners are the coal miners are shoemakers. they were on the attack and the Federawaste of time. The committee recom-mended "that the highest duty of the Federation was to defend the unions selected by the Knights of Labor for attack, and that the executive committee

the such actor of the committee was finally adopted. Measures favoring the support of labor representation in administrative and executive departments of the national and State governments, and advising members of the Federation to see that the friends of labor comand the militia, rather than the friends of capital, were adopted. The convention then adjourned for the

SUCCESSFUL SAFE BLOWERS.

They Carry Off About \$2,000 In Cash From

King's Mountain, N. C. King's Mountain, N. C., last night. They blew a safe open with dynamite and got away with \$2.00 in cash. Carpenter Brothers conduct quite an extensive busier midnight a man, who slept in a build ter minight a man, who slept in a building adjoining Carpenter Brothers' store, was awakened by an explosion that fairly shook the building. He located the explosion in Carpenter's store. He spent some time in getting a light, and when he got into the store the safe blowers had secured the money and vanished. The store-room was filled with smoke and smelled strongly of dynamite. A large hole had been drilled in the door just above the combination knob and dynamite was poured through into the interior of the door in liberal quantities the burglars effected an entrance to the store by boring a hole in the door and removing a bolt. The town was alarmed, and on the move within ten s door and removing a boil. The town is alarmed, and on the move within ten nutes after the explosion, but no trace the burglars could be found. They reled off a lot of valuable papers, inluding land deeds.

STRIKERS ARRESTED.

The Georgia Central Lockout Assuming Alarming Proportions.

MACON, GA., Dec. 16.-The telegraphers' strike on the Central railroad of Georgia assumed a serious aspect today, when two of the strikers, J. W. Stephens and Mr. Haggard, were arrested, charged with contempt of the United States Circuit Court. The charges against States Circuit Court. The energys against Stephens were preferred by Train-Master W. P. Epperson, and those against Hag-gard by Judson Manuel. Stephens be charged with joining in an illegal con-spiracy, formed between D. G. Ramsay, grand chief of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, and Deputy Grand Chi-Tebey to embarrass the circuit court the management of the Central railroad, now under its control. Haggard is charged with destroying the property of the road. They were arrested by Chief Deputy Marshal Ayers and their cases Deputy Marshal Ayers and their cases will come up before Judge Speer this morning. A counter action was taken by the strikers this evening. They pray the court to overrule the arbitrary action of Receiver Comer and reinstate them in the railroad's service. They are answerable to the court for contempt. They pray the court to act with them in the matter The arrests created excitement and

SENATOR GIBSON'S FUNERAL. A Congressional Committee Appointed to

Attend the Obsequies. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.-The Louisiana delegation in the House held a meeting to-day to take action on the death of Senator Gibson, of that State, and appointed the following-named members as a congressional committee to attend the funeral services, which will be held at Lexington, Ky.: Messrs. Blanchard, Brice, Robertson of Louisiana, Breckinridge of Kentucky, McMillin, Elliott, Henderson of Illinois and Dalzell.

of Binots and Daized.

The ceremonics will be held either on Sunday or Monday of next week.

The Senate will be represented by the following gentlemen: Senators White of Louislana, Butler of South Carolina, Louisiana, Butler of South Carolina, Gordon of Georgia, Pettigrew of South Dakota and Shoupe of Idaho. The committees will leave for Lexington at II o'clock to-morrow evening, and expect to arrive at their destination at 9 P. M. Sunday.

Electing by the Popular Vote.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—The question of electing the President and Vice-President by the direct votes of the little and the Cophalonia for Liverpool to-morrow.

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—Kidder, Peabody & mountains region. The storm we move slowly northeastward do sub-Treasury here. It will be shipped by the Cephalonia for Liverpool to-morrow.

people, embedied in several resolutions on the subject, was again considered by the House Committee on the Election of the President and Vice-President to-day. No material progress toward the formu-No material progress toward the formulating of legislation on this subject was made, however, the time being taken uplargely in discussion. The resolution introduced yesterday by Representative De Armond, of Missouri, who presents some novel ideas on the subject, was referred to a sub-committee for consideration. Representative Patterson, of Ohio, was before the committee and made a strong speech in favor of an amendment to the Constitution limiting the presidential term to five years and making the incumbent ineligible to re-election. Incidentally the question of the election

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Incidentally the question of the election of renators by the popular vote same up, and it was stated by a member of the committee after the meeting that it was hoped a vote on the matter would be reached after the holiday recess.

HER NAME NO LONGER DENNIS. Pretty Wedding in Suffolk_Indications of

Marked Progress.
SUFFOLK, VA., Dec. 16.—Special.— Another pretty marriage was solemnized in the Main-street Methodist church here last night, when Mr. Jesse P. Norfleet and Miss Maggie Dennis, both of this city, were made man and wife, by Rev. G. C. Vandersitce, the paster

The chancel had been decorated with The chancel had been decorated with evergreens, and a large bunch of mistletoe was suspended just in front of the altar rail, where the couple were to stand during the ceremony. Lighted wax candles in old-fashioned candelabra added to the attractiveness of the scene. A large audience, as usual here, was prent to witness the ceremony.

I am glad to report that there are evidences of material progress visible on every hand in this vicinity. New people every hand in this vicinity. New people are moving in constantly, and good dwellings are in greater demand than for some time past. The East Sunolk Land Company, under the management of the Indefatigable Mr. J. B. Milner, is making fine headway with its valuable property here. The spring bed factory on this property is about completed, and the machinery will soon be put in. I understand that this company are already doing a business of about twenty thousand dollars a month, and they expect to enlarge upon this when they get into their new upon this when they get into their new quarters here.

A HANDSOME GIFT.

It is Reported That Mrs. Linden Kent Will Endow a Chair of English.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Dec. 16. Special.-For two or three weeks there have been rumors that Mrs. Linden Kent. of Washington, had given sixty thousand dollars to endow a chair in the Univer-sity of Virginia. There was a singular reticence on the subject, due perhaps to a desire to have everything straight before any public announcement should be made. It now seems that Mrs. Kent (whose husband died some months ago) has intimated her purpose to endow chair of English and rhetoric as a memo rial to her husband. The sum of \$50,000 will be used for that purpose, but whether that amount will be given outright or only the income from it has not been

made known.

Quite a liberal fund has been subscribed for a memorial of some kind to the late Dr. J. S. Hanckel. It was at first intended to build a monument, but I think that purpose has been abandoned in favor of either a tablet or memorial window in Christ church, of which the doctor was retur for results. made known. doctor was rector for nearly a quarter of

a century. FAILED TO SIGNAL THE HOWE.

Vice Admiral Fairfax of the Mediterranean

Squadron to be Court Martialed. LONDON, Dec. 16 .- Vice-Admiral Pairranean squadron, to which was attached ing of that vessel. It is charged that a commander of the squadron it was hi duty to signal the Howe, as that vessel was following the flag ship, and that he failed to do it. Commander David L Dickson and Captain A. P. Hastings, of the Howe, were recently acquitted of all blame in the matter by a court-martial held at Portsmouth, it being shown that the charts of the Ferrol harbor used on

Bankers Against Bankers.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—The firm of Rey-nolds & Gibson, cotton brokers of Liver-Liverpool, being money obtained from on forced checks by Parry Lu and John Wilson, manager and cashler of the firm. Lunt and Wilson were con-victed of embezzlement and sentenced to

Professional Forgers Under Arrest. BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Dec. 16.-A spe cial from Huntsville to the Age-Herald says; E. A. Wolfe and Mrs. M. A. Carle, professional forgers of bank drafts, are under arrest here, and everything points to their being the same parties who figured in Knoxville two days ago with a man named Hoyt, and in Tacoma, in

Cholera Statistics.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 16 .- Final ofdeaths from European and break of the disease in the empire, making a total of 265,760 deaths.

Robbed a Pawn-Broker.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Dec. 18.-A strang-er walked into Joseph Mandel's pawn hop on East Market street yesterday and pointing a pistol at the proprietor, picked up \$1509 worth of diamonds and escaped. The proprietor was so dazed that he sat in his chair balf an hour before he in-

Business Fullures. NEW YORK, Dec. 1st.-The business failures during the past seven days num-ber, for the United States, 270; for Cana-da, 25; total, 304, as compared with 297 last week and 290 the week previous, and

135 for the corresponding week of last Count of Paris' Daughter Weds. VIENNA, Dec. 16.-It is officially stated that a marriage has taken place between Prince Ferdinand, of Bulgaria, and the Princess Helene Louise Henrietto, daugh-

er of the Count of Paris and a coasin of

Prince Ferdinand. General Rosecrans Much Better.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—General Rose-crans has improved so much of late that his family has determined to take him California within a few weeks. He has fully recovered the use of his Hmbs. Flowers From the President. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16,-The President

this morning received the actors who participated in the benefit to the National Capital Press Club, The President presented each of the ladles a flower. More Gold for Shipment.

MORE PANAMA ARRESTS

THE WELL-KNOWN CHARLES DE LESSEPS AMONG THEM.

The Charges on Which the Previous Summonses Were Served.-The Penalties of the Crimes.

PARIS, Dec. 16.-The charges against the officers of the Panama Company, on which the summonses were previously served, and on which they have now been arrested, are that they have jointly made use of fraudulent credit; that they have dissipated the capital entrusted to them for specific purposes, and that they have swindled others out of part or all their money through their influences. These offenses are within the reach of

even articles of the penal code. The penalties to which the heads of the Panama Company have made themselves Panama Company have made the diservery liable are one year's imprisonment at least and five years at most, and a fine of from \$2\$ to \$120\$. They may also be deprived of their civil rights from the day on which they leave the prison for five years at least and ten years at most. Besides making the arrests the author-ities have searched the residences of De Lesseps, Fontaine, Cottau and San Le-roy, and seized a mass of documents throwing new and important light on the Pingma frauds and committee.

Panama frauds and corruption.

The papers to-day contain little interest to the Parisians except the matter bearing upon the scandal. Moderate Republican papers congratulate the government upon the energy displayed by its members in yesterday's debate. The Conservative members claim that the result of yesterday's vote discredits the govern-

Charles De Lesseps and Marius Etienne Charles De Lesseps and Marias Entantes Fentaine and San Leroy have been arrested for their alleged connection with the Panama canal frauds. Heari Loqs Felix Gotteau has fied to Vienna. LonDoon, Dec. 16.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Vienna says that the developments regarding the Panama canal

enterprise will lead to a reappointion-ment between Russia and Germany, ow-ing to the fact that the fall of Rouvier, ing to the fact that the fall of Rouvier, the French Minister of Finance, will prevent the Russian Government from obtaining loans in the future.

The news of the arrest of the Panama directors caused a sensation in the Chamber of Deputies, and much excitement in the lobbies. Some of the members of the committee of investigation proposed to suspend the inquiry, and others wanted the commission to resign altogether and leave the Government unhampered in the execution of the law.

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The police have been making a wholesale descent to-day in search of documents and other evidence against the Panama canal directors, and others accused. Armed with a warrant of search the police visited the premises of the Panama Canal Company, and of M. Thierre, of the firm of Thierre & Co., and the residence of M. Herz, who is acknowledged to be deeply implicated in the Panama schemes of Baron De Reinach, and who was with Reinach shortly before his death.

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The Fanama investigating commission met to-day, and after a lengthy discussion of the situation unanimously decided not to resign.

As yet no warrant has been issued for the arrest of M. Ferdinand De Leaseps. It was directed to make the arrests mantioned above at a meeting held last which at which all the prime minnight, at which M. Ribot, the prime minister; M. Burgeous, minister of justice; the procureur-general and the head of

the criminal department were preent.

The prosecution of Charles Do Lesseps,
Fontaine and San Leroy will be entirely listinct from the others. An enormous quantity of documents have been selzed. So great was the numer that fourteen vans were required to

transport them. The evening papers assert that four more arrests are imminent.
It is reported that the government will ask the Chamber of Deputies to authorize

the prosecution of a number of its mem-The presidents of the four Repul groups waited upon M. Ribot to-day and congratulated him upon the decision of he government, the firmness of which is generally approved in the lobbies and the hamber itself. Its firmness has secured for it a decided majority in the chamber.

Only the members of the Right and some of the Radicals disapprove of the government's course.

The arrested Panama canal directors, when arraigned before the magistrate, Franquelle, protested their innocence. They were committed to the Mazas prison. Jules Picard, president of the Sucz Canal Company, has written a let-Sucz Canal Company, has a received to the Paris Agents de Change, saying that the shareholders in the Sucz canal need not be alarmed over the arrest of Charles De Lesseps, as the Sucz Canal Company is absolutely

ertain to progress satisfactorily.
VIENNA, Dec. 16.—Cottau, who is wanted by the Paris police, to answer for his part in the Panama canal frauds, came to this city about a week ago, and is at the Hotel Imperial. The Paris police have warned the Vienna police that he should be detained. The department, however,

have refused to arrest him Father McGlynn and the Vatican.

ROME, Dec. 16.—The statement by Archbishop Corrigan, published in Sep-tember, in regard to a settlement of the differences between the Church and Father McGlynn, has received full confirmation at the Vatican. The news of the reconciliation produced the happiest impression at the Vatican, with whom Father McGlynn has always been a

Return of the American Delegates. LONDON, Dec. 16.—The American delegates to the International Monetary Conference are booked to sail on the steamer Lahn, from Southampton for New York, on December 21st. It is not understood

that there will be any celebration or dinners in honor of the occasion. More Cholera in Hamburg. HAMBURG, Dec. 16.—Two fresh cases of cholern were reported here yesterday. To-day there have been reported in the Hammerbrock district. In this city there

was one fatal case to-day. To Recall Ambassador Waddington. PARIS, Dec. 16.—The Figure says that the recall of M. Waddington, the French

Ambassador to the Court of St. James has been decided upon. WEATHER FORECAST.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.-For Virginia: Light east winds, continued rainy For North Carolina and South Carolina:

For North Carolina and South Carolina: Rains, east winds, warmer in northwest portion of North Carolina.

S. P. M.—Weather conditions and general forecast—The storm in the lower Mississippi Valley has moved very sicwly northeastward, necembanied by rain or snow throughout the entire lower Mississippi, lower Missouri and lower, Ohlo Valley, and in the Middle Atlantie States. A very decided fall in the temperature has taken place over the northwest and Rocky mountains region. The storm will probably move alonly northeastward during Saturday, with rain or snow in most of the districts of the Mississippi river.